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School Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Stillwater City School District was held, pursuant to notice, in the Mower Block on Saturday, March 31st, at 7 o'clock p.m.

The district was largely represented. The meeting was organized by the election of Judge H. R. Murdoch, Chairman.

The minutes of the last annual and of the adjourned meeting, May 6th, 1865, were read by the Clerk.

A motion to elect two members of the Board of Education, by ballot, was lost. Messrs. Holcombe & Dryer were re-elected for the year, by acclamation.

The Treasurer read his report for the past year, by which it appeared that to this date the amount of School Orders which have been cashed by the Bank of Stillwater and not redeemed is \$715.

The Clerk gave an estimate of the expense of keeping seven schools for the next year, making it about \$330 a month. It was voted that the schools be taught nine and a half months the ensuing year; and also, that a special tax of \$3000 be levied for the support of schools.

The following resolution, offered by W. M. McClure, Esq., was, after full discussion, adopted, viz:

Resolved, That it is expedient to build for the accommodation of the schools of this city, one large permanent School House which shall be off of the main roads all grades, and which shall be located in as central a portion of the District as possible.

J. L. HOWELL, Clerk.

The Way to Build School Houses.

As our citizens will be called upon next Saturday evening to decide upon the question of procuring a site and the erection of a new and commodious school house, we produce a copy of the law passed at the late session of the Legislature bearing upon the subject, being entitled "an act to authorize the Trustees of the several organized School Districts of this State or those that may be hereafter organized to issue School District Bonds."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the trustees of any school district in this State, be and the same are hereby authorized and fully empowered to issue the bonds of their respective districts (with coupons) in such amounts and at such periods as they may be directed by a majority of all the legal voters in said district at any legally called meeting of the same; said bonds to be payable in equal amounts, in one, two, three, four, five and six years, from date, with interest not exceeding 12 per cent per annum, payable annually, which bonds and coupons shall be signed by the Directors, and countersigned by the Clerk of said district.

Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the issuing of such bonds unless a majority of all the legal voters residing in such school district shall vote in favor thereof, at an annual or special meeting of the legal voters of said School District.

SEC. 2. No bonds issued under authority of this act shall be so issued or negotiated by said board of trustees for less than par value, nor shall said bonds or the proceeds thereof be used or appropriated for any purpose whatever other than in the purchase of a site for and in the erection, completion and furnishing of a school house in and for said district.

SEC. 3. Said board of trustees, or their successors are hereby authorized, and it is hereby made their duty, on or before the first day of September next, after the date of said bonds, and each and every year thereafter, on or before the first day of September, until the payment of said bonds and interest, is fully provided for, to levy and in due form certify to

the auditor of the county in which said district is situated, a tax upon the taxable property of said district, equal to the amount of principal and interest maturing next after such levy, and in the discretion of said board, such further sum as it shall deem expedient, not exceeding twenty percent of such maturing bonds and interest, which taxes shall be payable in money, and shall constitute a fund for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

From the first section it will be seen that it will be necessary to have a full meeting next Saturday evening in order to legalize whatever action may be taken with reference to the erection of new school buildings—a majority of all voters in the district being required under the law to legalize the action.

Work for the New Officers.

Our friends appreciate the necessity of having effective city officers the ensuing year, if their speeches at the caucus last Friday evening can be regarded as an index to their views.

The truth is, the streets, alleys and sewers of the city are in a most disgraceful condition. The new board elected to-day will have plenty of work to do during the next few weeks in repairing the city. When this work is completed, we hope to see more stringent sanitary laws adopted and the laws rigidly enforced. Otherwise, pestilence will make food for worms and business for undertakers before the July suns are with us.

Important to Teachers.

For the information of parties desiring to teach in the public schools of Washington county during the coming year, and who are not already provided with the necessary certificates, we will state that the county Superintendent, P. E. WALKER, will attend at the following times and places for the examination of applicants for schools: Cottage Grove, April 24th; Lakeland, April 26th; Stillwater, (at the South school buildings) April 28th, and at Marine on the 30th of April.

Teachers, Trustees and all others interested are desired to be present at these meetings.

FITTING UP.—Every indication now

would seem to insure an active lumber trade the present spring and summer. All of the larger mills of the city have

been placed in the most thorough repair, and only await the breaking up of the ice preparatory to the commencement of an active campaign.

Hon. Soocrates Nelson, is placing his mill—which has been idle for a year or two past—in thorough repair, and will soon be in readiness for business.

The proprietors of the Cly & Sawyer mill are putting new machinery in that favorite institution and making other important improvements.

Within a few weeks hundreds of saws and hundreds of men will contribute to the hum and bustle of the city.—Success to them all.

BASE BALL.—The season is now approaching for out door amusements, and we know of none more rational—combining physical development with genuine sport—than base ball. Will not some of our young men interest themselves in organizing a Base Ball Club? In days gone, we had in this city a few knights of the bat and ball who would have done credit to any club. What say you, young men?

FIRES.—Two more disastrous fires occurred in St. Paul during the past week—the latter resulting in the total destruction of Bensburg's Brewery, situated on the Fort road, a short distance from the city. Loss \$50,000, of which our friend C. D. Gilliland, Esq., loses about \$20,000, partially covered by insurance. This was the first establishment of the kind in the North-west.

A bill has been ordered to its third reading in the New York Assembly appropriating \$11,000 for the relief of Col. Edward Jardine, who was disabled for life in the riots of July, 1863, in the city of New York, when at the request of Gen. Wool, he was doing his best to disperse the rioters. The rioters fired three leaden slugs into the Colonel's thigh, breaking the bone near the hip joint. After he was rescued, he was again assaulted by rioters, who fired upon him with carbines while he was lying on the bed, succeeding in throwing up the muzzles of the guns, and saving his life. He was then dreadfully beaten with the butt-end of muskets, but finally rescued by Capt. Putnam of the regular army, and taken to the St. Nicholas Hotel. The Colonel was confined to his bed with the injuries received, for eleven months, and is now a cripple.

The town of Minneapolis has by eighty-five majority decided against union with the town of St. Anthony.

The Eclipse.

For the Messenger.

In a communication in the Messenger of March 20th, 1866, in relation to the then approaching eclipse, I stated, that during the entire period of total darkness the moon's disk would be visible, and that astronomers explained the phenomenon on the theory of refracted rays. I also intimated a doubt of the correctness of the theory, and stated that if the theory was correct, certain changes must take place in the degree of illumination on different portions of her disk during the period of total darkness. In the eclipse of last Friday evening, every appearance which I had indicated as necessary to prove the theory of "refracted rays" actually occurred; not only as seen through an Achromatic Instrument, but plainly and unmistakably by the naked eye. Had her visibility during the total darkness been owing to rays of light from the "Stellar System" (as I had formerly supposed) there would have been no change of illumination on her disk.

At the commencement of the eclipse the moon was obscured by clouds, but shortly cleared away, and the moment of total immersion and emersion, did not vary one minute from the predicted time. The question is frequently asked, "Why does the moon, when totally eclipsed, appear of a dusky red hue?" This I will, with your permission, explain in a future number.

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Tuesday, April 10, 1866.

Congress Stands Firm!

THERE STANDS THE SENATE! That august body still maintains its manhood? Thirty-three names are enrolled upon the scroll of honor, to be revered throughout the coming ages, while fifteen other names will be execrated as long as history endures. — On Friday the Senate passed the *Civil Rights Bill* over the President's veto, by a vote of 33 to 15! "Whom the gods wish to destroy, they first make mad." President Johnson has been mad ever since his accidental promotion to the Presidency. He has seemed to desire to control Congress, control the people, control all save himself. He stands before the world rebuked as but few men occupying his position were ever before rebuked. — The veto power was given to the President to meet such extraordinary occasions as might possibly, but which very seldom occur, when the President can properly step between the legislative branch of the government and the people—a power seldom to be used, and when used, with the greatest caution. But in President Johnson's hands, the veto has become the general rule instead of the exception. The loyal country will thank God for the firmness and fidelity of thirty-three Senators.

The bill goes back to the House, where, under an indicated motion for the previous question, it was probably acted upon yesterday. We yet hope to get the result by telegraph this morning. We can have but little doubt of the result in that body, when the bill passed by a vote of 111 yeas to 38 nays, with 34 abstentions. — The House will surely emulate the noble example of the Senate.

P. S. The vote was taken in the House yesterday afternoon, AND THE BILL WAS SUSTAINED BY YEAS, 122; NAYS, 41.—THE SPEAKER THEN DECLARED THAT THE BILL HAD BECOME A LAW; when tremendous and long continued and deafening applause was given.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The school meeting last Saturday evening was largely attended, and a good degree of interest manifested with reference to the erection of an additional building, suitable for a thorough system of graded schools.— Under the resolution of a former meeting, the committee on grounds was confined to a central location in the selection of a site, and in accordance therewith reported in favor of the purchase of a part of a block on Main street, between Myrtle and Mulberry streets, at a cost of \$2200. After a thorough discussion, throughout which the best of feeling prevailed, the following action was taken by an almost unanimous vote:

1. **Resolved.** That the Central School House shall be located on the site where the Grammar School is now taught, (the South School House); and that a Primary School House be immediately located on the Government Hill, near block 11, or wherever the inhabitants of that part of the city shall select.

2. The Board of Education of the City District shall appoint a day or days when the voters of this District shall vote for or against the issue of bonds of the District, to the amount of \$7,500, for the purpose of procuring sites and erecting the necessary buildings contemplated by this meeting.

3. A committee consisting of Messrs. J. A. Smith, Samuel Register, and Josiah Staples, be appointed to select a site on Government Hill on which to erect a Primary School House.

In point of economy, beauty and healthfulness of location, and at the same time approximating centrality, we think that the meeting acted with marked wisdom. If our citizens will continue to act with the same wisdom and harmony and secure the necessary vote when an election is called by the Board of Education, the time is not far distant when our schools will become the pride of our city and an honor to our State. Of the necessity of carrying out this good work, we will speak more in detail hereafter.

Outdate Elections.

The following officers were elected in the town of Oakdale last Tuesday:

Supervisors—E. G. Gray, (Chairman) M. Malone, J. C. Smith, John Bershaw.

Clerk—Wm. Armstrong.

Treasurer—Arthur Stephens.

Assessor—J. L. Carpenter.

Justices of the Peace—Jereimiah Folsom, John Morgan.

Constables—George Bershaw, John Ranley.

Democratic Results.

The election in St. Paul last Tuesday resulted as all elections do in that tax-ridden and Democratically-cursed city. If the people of St. Paul can stand it, out-siders ought not to complain. An official statement just made public presents the startling fact that the debt of the city, under the stealings and mismanagement of the sweet-scented Democracy of that place, has already reached over half a million of dollars, as we can find room for, and afford to give the benefit of our circulation without compensation.]

AN ACT to amend an act entitled an act to prevent importation, running at large and sale of diseased sheep, approved March 4, 1864.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That any person keeping the owner of sheep, or having the

same in charge, who shall import or drive into this State or shall turn out or suffer to run at large upon any common, highway or uninclosed lands, or adjoining or against any inclosed lands, occupied by any person for pasturing sheep, any sheep having any contagious disease, or who shall sell, let or dispose of any such sheep, know

ing the same to be so diseased, without first apprising the purchaser thereof, or person taking them, of such disease, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by fine in a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars, to be

collected before any court having proper jurisdiction in this State; one-half of the fine so collected shall be paid to the person making the complaint, and the other half to the court in which the complaint was made.

SEC. 2. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the recovery of damages in civil actions

against any person or persons who shall import or drive such diseased sheep into this State, or who shall sell or let such diseased sheep, or suffer the same to run at large.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1866.

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BELLO LAKE PRINT.—Boats were running yesterday from Reed's Landing to Minneapolis, a few miles above Winona.

MITE SOCIETY.—The Myrtle Street Church Mite Society will meet with Mrs. A. J. VAN VORNES next Friday evening at the usual hour.

The Society connected with the Second Presbyterian Church will meet with Mrs. C. A. BROMLEY, this (Tuesday) evening.

CONVALESCING.—The many friends of Mr. A. J. McClellan—who has been dangerously ill for near four months—will be rejoiced to learn that he is rapidly improving, and that he has sufficiently recovered to be able to ride and walk in the open air.

STATE PRISON.—By reference to an advertisement of the Warden, J. S. Proctor, Esq., it will be seen that proposals for the erection of forty-two additional cells will be received at the office of the warden until the 6th day of May next.

CITY SCHOOLS.—Our city schools opened last Monday under the most favorable auspices—the attendance last Monday at many of the schools being even larger than during the term which closed a week since.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. NICHOLS, the accomplished dentist who has relieved the aches and pains of our citizens during the past two years, will re-visit our city on the 20th inst., and remain at his office on the corner of Union Place and Myrtle street until the 1st of May when he will be happy to see his friends.

IN TOWN.—Hon. Cyrus Aldrich, our former efficient member of Congress from this district, has been in our city during the past few days on business connected with the present session of the District Court. The Colonel—though a hard worker during his long and eventful life—appears as young and ardent as when we first knew him, near twenty years ago.

PERSONAL.—Our city was graced yesterday by the presence of Mr. "Lo! the poor Indian"—a visitation becoming quite unusual of late—in the person of "Sou-Chong-Slung-Whang-Bohea-Schwarz"—an old relic of a race rapidly passing away, but whose countenance was readily recognized by the early settlers of our city. Notwithstanding our sympathy to the race, we could not but express the prayer this morning, when viewing his bronzed features and tottering form, that when he embarks for the happy hunting-grounds of his fathers, he might go.

"Like one who draws the blanket of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

DISTRICT COURT.—The District Court for Washington County—Judge Charles McClure presiding—was to have convened this morning at 10 o'clock. At that hour the Judge had not arrived, owing to the condition of the roads. Among the Attorneys present from abroad, we have met with Hon. F. R. E. Cornell, of Minneapolis; James Smith, Hon. J. B. Brisbin and L. E. Thompson, of St. Paul.

P. S. A dispatch received at noon from Judge McClure from Hastings states that he will reach this city this evening. The court will assemble at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

CAPTAIN FIELD.—Major Rose, recently commanding at Fort Wadsworth, arrived at St. Paul last Saturday. Nothing has yet been heard of Captain Field and the two missing men, who were lost on the prairie in February last, though the country has been scoured as far as Lake Traverse and the Bois des Sioux. The highlands are clear of snow, though a great deal still remains in the depressions.

Our New City Officials.

The city officials elected last Tuesday were inducted into office on Thursday, and immediately commenced their duties with an energy that augurs well for the future of the city. Circumscribed by the extraordinary limitations of the city charter, and embarrassed by the loose manner in which the affairs of the city have been conducted during the past few years, the present board will find an immense amount of labor before them—requiring foresight, patience and hard work. It is to be hoped that every citizen will sustain and encourage them in all laudable efforts to bring order out of confusion.

One of the first and wisest acts of the new council was to elect Lieut. S. N. MAY as City Marshal. We predict that Mr. May will make an efficient officer, and his appointment will give great satisfaction. We notice that he has already commenced the much needed work of requiring the removal of wood and other obstructions from the streets preparatory to a thorough renovation of the city. We have also observed that a committee of the Council is making the "grand rounds"—a sort of missionary labor—searching out the various saloons and other places of amusement where business has been tolerated without "rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

We cherish an abiding faith that the present organization will place our city government on a sure foundation, if supported in their efforts by all good citizens. The present organization as follows—Mayor, Hon. Wm. Willim; Recorder, A. K. Doe; Councilmen, J. E. Schlenk, C. A. Bromley and J. S. Proctor; Treasurer, A. L. Hosper; Assessor, Ex-Governor Holcombe; City Attorney, W. M. McCluer; City Justice, A. Van Vorhes; Marshal, John S. May; Justices of the Peace, E. G. Butts, A. Van Vorhes; Constables, J. S. May and G. M. Seymour.

Let our citizens stand by and support these officers and they will stand by and support the best interests of the city.

RAPID COMPOSERS.—Our La Crosse neighbors of the *Republican and Democrat* offices are getting excited over the question of which office employs the fastest composers. They are blowing and betting \$25, or oysters, &c. We should think it was rather a small matter over which to fool away valuable time. Still we have a juvenile female composer in this office that can set more type than any one with the same length of time in the business, in either of the brag offices.—*Brownsville Free Press*.

When our down-river contemporaries trot out their rapid composers, the *Messenger* office will pit a "juvenile" of the male persuasion against either of them, or against any composer in the country of like age and experience. Last Saturday WILLIE EASTON, aged 15 years, with an experience at intervals at the case of not exceeding eight or ten months, set 10,750 ems on this paper, in eight hours and thirty-five minutes. The first three thousand were composed in two hours and ten minutes. If any composer in the United States, of like age and experience, can excel or equal this feat, we would like to hear from him.

HIGH WATER.—The water in Lake St. Croix is rising rapidly, but not sufficiently so to disturb the ice. The Minnesota river has risen twenty feet at Mankato—the Wantonwan, Blue Earth and other streams above being free from ice. From the southern portion of the State we are advised of high water in most of the streams, and all of our Eastern mails come with baptismal evidences. On Friday last, the telegraph informs us that the first Eastern mail arrived for the preceding week at La Crosse, when two hundred and twenty-eight bags reached that point by through train. Within a few days it is hoped that "Richard will be himself again."

SPAVING.—The graphic description of a day of winter sport in Minnesota, taken from *Wilkes' Spirit of the Times* of the 24th ult., published on our first page, was written by a gentleman of this city, who seems to be as familiar with the quill as he is with the rod and gun. The dramatic persons will be recognized by our local readers and enjoyed by those who understand their characteristics—especially our jovial friend "Trumox."

We trust the readers of the *Spirit* will be favored often with spicy articles from the racy pen of "Wankish" —who is supposed to be the chief of the antler tribe.

RETURNING TO HIS FIRST LOVE.—Dr. THOMAS FOSTER, the old editor of the old *"Minnesota"*, after devoting near five years to the military service proposes to issue a weekly paper in St. Paul to bear the familiar cognomen of "Dr. Foster's *Minnesotian*," the first number to be issued about the first of July. Major Foster is an earnest man, a strong thinker and a racy writer. We shall welcome him back to the editorial harness with a warm clasp of the hand. When Foster is around, the public may know that something is to be done. Success to you, old-time friend! The very name of "Minnesotian," in newspaper memories, will entrance a thousand ears.

SOLDIERS COMING.—Col. Alexander, with two companies of the Tenth Infantry, will leave St. Louis on the 15th of April for St. Paul direct, the ice on the Mississippi permitting.

The project to get Jeff Davis out of Fortress Monroe on the writ of habeas corpus has been abandoned.

Contest in Afton.

AFTON, April 5, 1866.

Editor Messenger: I send you a report of a friendly contest in spelling at the "Boxell school house" last Saturday. The scholars of the district met at 9 o'clock A. M., and commenced spelling. They were soon joined by scholars from the neighboring districts, and spelling continued till half past 4 o'clock, P. M., excepting the usual hour at noon, and short recess. No scholar knew before hand what lesson would be spelled. For a short time in the afternoon we used the National Speller.

The balance of the day we used Webster's Speller, selecting, at random, the most difficult column of words, which were pronounced rapidly; and the scholars were required to spell promptly, distinctly, and rapidly; each scholar being allowed but one trial. I annex the names of the scholars who missed less than six words during the day, with the age and number of words missed by each.

BOXELL SCHOOL.

Wm. Boxell, 16 years old, missed 0
Richard Boxell, 14 do do 0
Robert Boxell, 12 do do 0
John Boxell, 11 do do 0
James Boxell, 10 do do 0
Alice Moxon, 10 do do 1
Christina Johnson, 17 do do 1
Caroline Brunner, 14 do do 1
Aaron Boxell, 14 do do 1
John Boxell, 11 do do 2
Emma Stouffer, 11 do do 1
John Johnson, 9 do do 2
John Boxell, 9 do do 4
Jackson Stouffer, 9 do do 4
Sarah Boxell, 8 do do 4
Wm. Guy, 8 do do 5

MIDDLETON SCHOOL.

Johnathan Phillips, 12 do do 0
Josephine Phillips, 12 do do 0
Edward Ehrenburg, 17 do do 1
Edward Ehrenburg, 16 do do 1
Chas Ehrenburg, 13 do do 5

ROLLES SCHOOL.

Charles Roles, 12 do do 3

LAKELAND SCHOOL.

Oscar Jackson, 19 do do 1
Preston Jackson, 18 do do 1

Justice impels me to say a word for two or three of the spellers.

Aar. on Rosenquist, fourteen years old, missed two words. The record does him injustice. Late in the afternoon, while acting as captain of a side, and doing his own "trapping," and marking the words gained by his side, at the same time, he missed two words by a mere "slip of the tongue," as I well knew—not that spelling is a specialty with him. In doing hard sums, and in general knowledge, he has few superiors, I presume, of his age, old, missed words during similar hurry and excitement. Her record should stand higher. Oscar Jackson missed no word while spelling, but corrected a word already correctly spelled, and generously insisted on being marked one.

PEDAGOGUE.

SKATING IN THE LAKE.—On account of the great depth of snow on the lake during the past winter, the usual sport of skating has been dispensed with until since the rains of last week, which left the ice in tolerable condition for a day or two. A large number of ladies and gentlemen availed themselves of the condition of the ice on Friday and Saturday, notwithstanding its unsafe condition. We have heard of at least two ladies who changed their religious tenets, and suddenly became Baptists—exchanging the crystalized for aquatic sports.

SPAVING.—The water in Lake St. Croix is rising rapidly, but not sufficiently so to disturb the ice. The Minnesota river has risen twenty feet at Mankato—the Wantonwan, Blue Earth and other streams above being free from ice. From the southern portion of the State we are advised of high water in most of the streams, and all of our Eastern mails come with baptismal evidences. On Friday last, the telegraph informs us that the first Eastern mail arrived for the preceding week at La Crosse, when two hundred and twenty-eight bags reached that point by through train. Within a few days it is hoped that "Richard will be himself again."

SPAVING.—The graphic description of a day of winter sport in Minnesota, taken from *Wilkes' Spirit of the Times* of the 24th ult., published on our first page, was written by a gentleman of this city, who seems to be as familiar with the quill as he is with the rod and gun. The dramatic persons will be recognized by our local readers and enjoyed by those who understand their characteristics—especially our jovial friend "Trumox."

We trust the readers of the *Spirit* will be favored often with spicy articles from the racy pen of "Wankish" —who is supposed to be the chief of the antler tribe.

RETURNING TO HIS FIRST LOVE.—Dr. THOMAS FOSTER, the old editor of the old *"Minnesota"*, after devoting near five years to the military service proposes to issue a weekly paper in St. Paul to bear the familiar cognomen of "Dr. Foster's *Minnesotian*," the first number to be issued about the first of July. Major Foster is an earnest man, a strong thinker and a racy writer. We shall welcome him back to the editorial harness with a warm clasp of the hand. When Foster is around, the public may know that something is to be done. Success to you, old-time friend! The very name of "Minnesotian," in newspaper memories, will entrance a thousand ears.

SOLDIERS COMING.—Col. Alexander, with two companies of the Tenth Infantry, will leave St. Louis on the 15th of April for St. Paul direct, the ice on the Mississippi permitting.

Go to EVERITT'S.

If you want to be yourself as others see you, go to Everitt's Photographic Gallery, Main Street, north of Chestnut. His rooms are now crowded with visitors and patrons, and he is producing some of the finest likenesses that can be secured in the North-west. In addition to a fine appreciation of his noble art, Mr. Everitt has become master of its intricacies. He is daily producing some of the finest specimens of Photographs to be found west of Chicago. If you want a good likeness of yourself or friends, give Mr. Everitt a call.

Good!—An exciting judicial contest has just terminated in Wisconsin, bordering on the St. Croix. Judge Humphrey was the Union candidate and Judge Wetherby representing the Copperheads. Pierce and St. Croix counties gave the Union candidate large majorities which cannot be overcome by the Chippewa valley counties.

CONGRESS.—Friday.

In the Senate, Mr. Lane of Kansas, offered a joint resolution for the admission of the States on condition of their repudiating the rebel debt, endorsing the federal debt, annulling secession ordinances, and granting the right of suffrage to negroes who pay taxes on \$250 worth of property. The Civil Rights bill was taken up, and passed over the President's veto, by a vote of 33 to 15.

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Persons making proposals for a civil contract will be required to furnish their bids with two or more responsible persons, who will agree to become sureties for the contract and the faithful performance of the contract.

The contract will be awarded to best responsible bidder on the 7th day of May, by the Warden and Board of Inspectors—who will reserve the right to reject all bids if necessary for the interest of the State. Proposals to be directed to the undersigned and endorsed.

"Proposals for Cell Contract.

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It will deliver wood by the cord, at the following prices:

Dry Basswood at \$6.00, delivered anywhere in the city except on the Hills.

Same at \$6.25, delivered on the Hills.

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Stillwater, April 3, 1866.

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The subscriber has just completed his

Mammoth Bowling Alley,

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he will be happy to see his friends and others who enjoy the healthful and exhilarating exercise of bowling.

This is the finest Alley

in the State and guests will be satisfied by giving me a call.

JOHN SHORTELL.

Stillwater, April 2-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100-101-102-103-104-105-106-107-108-109-110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125-126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170-17

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The Rural American is not a local paper, but just as valuable in New England, the Western, and other States as in the State of New York. Volume X will commence January 1, 1866.

The form is a very large Sixteen Page Octavo, containing 16 pages of news, and 16 pages of any subject of interest to farmers, fruit growers, (grape growers in particular,) stock raisers, gardeners, bee keepers, poultry-breeders, &c.

The elegant paper is illustrated with some of the most costly Engravings that money and art can produce; and its literary department embraces general Family reading, which in interest, has never equalled in this country. It is a bright American paper, and is destined especially to be the most Practical and Reliable Agricultural and Horticultural publication extant. Every subscriber receives the full value of the paper in choice Engravings, worth \$2 each; and all subscribers for 1866, who remit their money before Dec. 15th receive the volume for 1865.

FREE FROM THE TIME THEY SUBSCRIBE to the close of the present year.

The Agricultural editor of the Philadelphia Evening Post (an editor estranged) in congratulating me on the appearance of my new paper, writes: "My opinion is that you have issued the best journal—all points considered—for the practical, working farmer, that we have ever had in the United States, or any where else. I like your paper better than either that of the Post I have ever seen. These are my honest sentiments."

Agents are everywhere to get up Clubs who receive magnificence Premiums in Vines, Plants, Engravings, Cash, Gold, Pens, Magazines, Weekly Newspapers, &c. &c. of the Rural American, and all applications. Address H. MINER, Clinton, Oneida County, New York. Nov. 1, 1865.—6m.

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The great invention of the age in

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STILLWATER MESSENGER

A. J. VAN VORHEES, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

Tuesday, - - - April 17, 1866.

Important to the Citizens of Stillwater.

SHALL WE HAVE A SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS CORRESPONDING WITH OUR SOCIAL AND BUSINESS INTERESTS?

Like most other new cities, Stillwater, until within the past two years, has suffered pecuniarily and in reputation, for want of educational advantages commensurate with her necessities. Enough money has already been expended in sending the youth of our city abroad to secure educational advantages to have erected buildings that would have reflected credit upon our city, to have employed suitable teachers, and to have insured to the pupils all the advantages which have been sought elsewhere. During the past two years, through the energetic labors of those interested in the cause of education, some of these embarrassments have been overcome. An able corps of teachers has been employed and sustained, and our schools will to-day compare favorably with any in the North-west. Yet, the work is not complete. We need additional school buildings—especially one that will meet the requirements of a complete graded school.

It is now within the reach of our citizens to supply this pressing necessity. At a large meeting of our citizens a few weeks since, they resolved almost unanimously to submit to the voters of the district the question of issuing bonds for the erection of such a building, and also to erect a suitable structure for primary schools in a different portion of the city—the location of the former having been agreed upon with almost entire unanimity.

The site selected is one of the most favorable in the city—the lots being connected with those upon which the present grammar school building is located, and is more nearly central than any other eligible grounds.

Four or five additional lots can be secured at one hundred dollars each, while the locations in the lower and northern portions of the city recommended by the committee would cost

one of them \$2200, and the other \$3,000 for only two lots of ground.

The site agreed upon is healthy, removed from the business portion of the city, and yet easy of access. The Primary school building contemplated will be located north of Chestnut street—probably on "Government Hill"—will be a substantial and permanent building, and located with a view to the accommodation of the juvenile pupils of that portion of the city.

A vote upon the subject of loan to carry out these objects will be had next Saturday. Under the law authorizing such loan, a majority of all the voters in the district (whether present and voting or not) is required.

Assuming that we have five hundred voters, the necessity of a full vote will be seen.

If our people are determined to have a system of schools that will reflect credit upon our city, they should divest themselves of all local prejudices and join heartily in the movement so propitiously commenced. If we fail now, our school system may be retarded for years. Let us have a united vote, and a full vote, next Saturday, in favor of two additional school edifices.

—Gen Hawley, the Governor elect of Connecticut, has received a congratulatory letter from one who served as a Colonel in the rebel army, and was formerly a great slaveholder, but is now sincerely reconstructed. Of this letter the General has published the subjoined extract:

"The anxiety felt by myself, and, indeed, by all true friends of the Union, was intense, and as the time drew near, I felt as though scarcely any sacrifice would be too great to insure success. Your election is a triumph of constitutional nationality and universal freedom over sectional particularism."

The proclamation of the President is a "brutum fulmen." Twelve months of Freedmen's Bureau will give you success to the National party. I am sure that the secessionists are with the Democrats. I see that the men who attempted to destroy the country are not with you; therefore I conclude that your party deserves to pre-

serve it."

This is sound reasoning. The true national party is that which carried the country through the war, not that made up altogether of Copperheads and rebel sympathizers, with the addition of a few deserters from the Union organization.

The coinage of the Philadelphia mint, in March, in gold, was over one million and a half; in silver, thirty-three thousand dollars.

Stephens and the Editors.

Alexander H. Stephens, while in Washington endeavored to learn the exact state of public sentiment at the North, and had the good sense to visit some of the radical editors for that purpose. The Washington correspondent of the Chicago Tribune says:

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WASHINGTON IS SERENE!

All is quiet at the White House. In response to a private dispatch forwarded this morning, we have just received the following as we go to press:

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for each offense, and the Court may in addition to the fine above mentioned adjudge the said licensee to be forfeited.

7. An Ordinance entitled An Ordinance regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, passed April 16, 1866, and all Ordinances amending the same are hereby repealed.

8. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its publication.

Passed April 13, A. D. 1866.

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AN ORDINANCE relative to Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys.

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the city of Stillwater: That no billiard table in a saloon or room for the purpose of public amusement, nor Bowling Alley, Nine or Ten Pin Alley, or by whatsoever name the same may be called, shall be allowed or kept within the limits of the city of Stillwater, whether in connection with any other business, separate or otherwise, without license therefor first had and obtained from the City Council.

2. The amount to be paid for such license shall be twenty-five dollars for each and every Billiard Table, and a like sum for each and every Bowling

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3. Application for such license shall be made to the City Council at any regular meeting thereof; and the same shall be granted, the person or persons so applying shall, upon the presentation of the City Treasurer's receipt for such license, be entitled to receive the same duly signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Recorder of said

city.

4. Any person licensed to deal in spirituous, vinous, fermented, mixed or intoxicating liquors under this Ordinance, shall at all times during the continuance of the said license be granted the place, house or room where the business so licensed shall be carried on, and conduct the said business in an orderly, peaceful and quiet manner, and shall not permit in any place, house or room, any gathering of any description for money, property or other things, or any usual noise, disturbance or breach of the peace; and that on and during the first day of the week known as Sunday, and after the hour of eleven o'clock P. M. and until the hour of four o'clock A. 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CITY ORDINANCES.—Two important laws will be found in to-day's paper, in which all of our citizens will be interested.

GOON—**MARSHAL** May commenced the good work of impounding loose hogs this morning. We trust that foraging upon gardens by these intolerable pests will now cease.

THE SUNDAY LAW.—The Sunday ordinance requiring the closing of saloons on that day, was duly observed last Sunday. The result was, peace and quiet during the day and night and a good attendance at most of the places of public worship.

GAME.—The inviting sun-shine of the past few days has induced an immense migration of ducks and geese—millions of these delicious birds having squatted upon the ponds and lakes adjacent to our city.

LOUDER!—Since the new order of things in our city, several bilgegents have been persuaded by Marshal May to walk up to the office of the City Justice and deposit a V or an X for boisterous conduct not recognized by any of our ordinances.

GOON EAST.—Mr. J. E. Schlenk and Mr. Fred Schultz, of the firm of Westing, Schultz & Co., left this morning for New York and Boston to secure spring stocks of goods.—Messrs. Terius, Daniels, Bronson and other parties, left several days since for eastern markets.

EARLY FARMING OPERATIONS.—Owing to the heavy fall of snow in the early part of winter, which continued on the ground until a few days since, there is little if any frost in the ground. Farmers are plowing and gardeners are sowing preparatory to planting and sowing. The transition from winter to spring has been sudden, indeed. Our crops will be as early as those of the Middle or New England States.

RAIRIE FIRES.—Less than a week ago the ground was covered with snow, except in positions exposed to the sun. Last Sunday evening the fires on the bluffs on the Wisconsin shore of the St. Croix presented a most beautiful appearance. Fortunately, the rains of yesterday extinguished the fires—thus preserving the timber in those localities for the present.

HIGH WATER AND ICE AT ST. ANTHONY.—The ice gorge in the Mississippi above the Falls at St. Anthony gave way last Saturday morning. The accumulation extended some five miles above the Falls, and when it moved, the force was irresistible.—The upper bridge was demolished.—The Suspension bridge was not materially injured. Aside from other damages, 700,000 feet of logs were precipitated over the whirling cataract and sent on their way down the swift current of the Mississippi. The loss falls heavily upon a number of Minneapolis and St. Anthony lumber dealers.

Below we give a few items of historical interest, being a faithful record of the opening and closing of Lake Pepin, for the past five years.

Lake Pepin froze up on Sunday night, November 24, 1860. First boat passed through, April 7, 1861.

Froze up on Wednesday night, November 27, 1861. First boat passed through, April 18, 1862.

Froze up on Friday night, November 28, 1862. First boat passed through on Sunday, April 5, 1863.

Froze up on Saturday night, November 28, 1863. First boat passed through, April 14, 1864.

Froze up on Monday night, November 21, 1864. First boat passed through, Saturday April 15, 1865.

Froze over on Monday night, the 4th of December, 1865, above Lake City, and at the lower end of the Lake, a part remaining open till the 13th, when it finally closed up.

District Court.

The District Court was occupied from its convening on Wednesday last Saturday night of last week, on an old lumber suit in which Gowen & Whalen are complainants vs. Aldrich. The case has been traveling the rounds of the courts for six or seven years. The jury rendered a verdict for complainants in the sum of \$3,400.06.

The case of the State vs. Altenburg, for shooting with attempt to kill—was called yesterday morning, since which time the Attorneys for the defense have been skirmishing to secure a continuance. This promised to be an exciting trial, if it comes to a hearing this term. J. N. Castle, (County Attorney) and J. B. Brisbin, for the State, and General Gorman, T. R. Huddleston and James Smith, Jr. for the defense.

The session of the court will probably continue for ten days or a fortnight.

Navigation Near at Hand.

The ice in Lake St. Croix is disappearing with remarkable rapidity.—The lake is now clear from its head to near the "Point," two miles below the city. At this rate, boats will be able to work through in a few days. The ice is very rotten and the water constantly rising—having already attained a higher point than at any time during the past two years. The river from this place to Taylor's Falls, has been free from ice for a week past. The sight of a fleet of boats, after our long and tedious winter, will be decidedly refreshing.

MISAPPREHENSION!—Some of the ardent Democracy of our city ferminted a day or two since, upon the announcement that **ANEX** Johnson was in town! There was a general rush for the Sawyer House on the part of two or three hundred of the Unterrified and Unwashed, each one carrying an affidavit, swearing that they were in favor of, and had adopted his "policy." Their cards were sent up to his room by the bushel, and they were given audience by scores. Each one, however, was surprised in meeting—instead of the veritable "Andy"—the angelic face of our former fellow-citizen, "Roswell B. Johnson," of Penitentiary notoriety. Roswell suggested in his peculiarly winning way, that his visitors might possibly be laboring under a misapprehension as to his identity, and that if they wished to secure or retain official place, he was not the man they were looking for—that his name was not "Andy"—that he resided in four or five hard-wood counties, and that the object of his present visit to the St. Croix was to purchase half a dozen rafts of basswood in order to manufacture Johnson men for his section of the State. With his usual frankness, Roswell B. admitted that he had been charged with the commission of a great many acts while a citizen of Stillwater—acknowledged that he had represented Pine county, and that the object of his present visit to the St. Croix was to purchase half a dozen rafts of basswood in order to manufacture Johnson men for his section of the State. 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